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Quinn Supports Funding for Local Clinics, not Planned Parenthood

MADISON – Representative Romaine Quinn (R-Rice Lake) voted yes on Assembly Bill 310, a bill that changes the distribution of federal Title X funds that are used for comprehensive healthcare services for the poor and underserved. Currently, Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin is the sole recipient of the federal dollars. Under AB 310, Wisconsin would prioritize funding for the Well-Woman Program and other public entities, such as county and local health departments and clinics.

“When our state is channeling this federal money to Planned Parenthood, none of the funding can go to our local counties. This creates a situation in which we are not only funding an organization that provides abortions, but also denying opportunities for funding to many outstate clinics that do tremendous work to serve women and the poor in our own area,” said Quinn.

Quinn noted that Planned Parenthood clinics do not operate within the 75th Assembly District. Under AB 310, clinics in these counties will be able to apply for Title X grants to create or expand programs to provide health care to targeted groups. Quinn noted that the bill would support bipartisan outcomes.

“This bill achieves the goals of both Republicans and Democrats,” said Quinn. “AB 310 supports Republican efforts to challenge Planned Parenthood’s monopoly on Title X funding, but it also preserves the funding for low income residents who need these services. This bill also opens up the ability of our local counties and non-profits to receive some of the funding.”

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